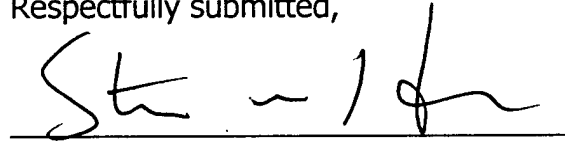


REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that the claims as amended herein define over the art of record and that this application meets all other statutory requirements. A formal Notice of Allowance is requested.

With specific reference to the Whitehead '861 document cited by the Examiner, it is noted that Whitehead relates to a siderail structure of a trailer, i.e., a particular type or trailer structure, and does not disclose or fairly suggest a hook hanger that is slidably engaged with the trailer. It is further noted that Whitehead teaches away from the present development in that it discloses that a cargo strap hook is to be connected directly to the trailer siderail structure, without use of any hook hanger device as disclosed in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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